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Extension of the first country cooperation framework for Samoa

Note by the Administrator

Period of extension:
1 January 2002 through 31 December 2002

I. Background and justification

1. At its third regular session 1997, the Executive Board approved the first country cooperation framework (CCF) for Samoa, for the period 1997 to 2001. In consultation with all parties concerned, the country office has requested a one-year extension of the first CCF. This extension will enable UNDP to formulate the second CCF within the context of the United Nations Development Assistance Framework and to harmonize its programming cycle with those of other United Nations agencies in the country.

2. The main thematic areas of the first CCF, namely, basic education and training, job creation and sustainable livelihoods, will continue to remain valid for the period of the extension.

II. Objectives

3. UNDP continues to support the Government of Samoa Statement of Economic Strategy (2000) in enhancing the quality of life of Samoans and in increasing economic performance, through empowerment of the private sector and improved performance of the public sector. UNDP projects focus mainly on: (a) primary education, which is a fundamental priority in ensuring functionally literate and numerate students; (b) fruit trees, which are aimed at expanding income-generating opportunities to households in rural areas, as well as to increase the profitability of commercial orchards to supply both domestic and overseas fruit export markets, and to improve the nutritional intake of fruit by the local population; (c) data collection and dissemination aimed specifically at addressing unemployment issues in the country and targeting and identifying vulnerable groups; (d) development of appropriate policies for youth, special needs, early childhood education, and bilingual policies in the school system; and (e) capacity-building at middle and lower management levels in the public and private sectors, through technical cooperation among developing countries exchanges with Association of Southeast Asian Nations, United Nations Volunteers programme contributions to non-governmental organizations and

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the health sector. The projects are performing extremely well and delivery targets coincide with the Government's plans and strategies. UNDP will seek to strengthen and expand its support in these priority areas.

III. Recommendation

4. The Administrator wishes to inform the Executive Board that he has approved the extension of the first country cooperation framework for Samoa for a period of one year, 1 January 2002 through 31 December 2002.

Annex

Resource mobilization target table for Samoa (1997-2002)

Source	*Amount (In thousands of United States dollars)*	*Comments*
UNDP regular resources		
Estimated IPF carry-over	(46)	Includes AOS.
TRAC 1.1.1	1 051	Assigned immediately to country.
TRAC 1.1.2	0 to 66.7 per cent of TRAC 1.1.1	This range of percentages is presented for initial planning purposes only. The actual assignment will depend on the availability of high-quality programmes. Any increase in the range of percentages would also be subject to availability of resources.
SPPD/STS	394	
Subtotal	1 399 [a]	
UNDP other resources		
Government cost-sharing	102	
Third party cost-sharing	0	
Funds, trust funds and other	691	
of which:		
GEF	186	
PDP	60	
PSI	125	
UNV	320	
Subtotal	793	
Grand total	2 192[a]	

[a] Not inclusive of TRAC 1.1.2, which is allocated regionally for subsequent country application.

Abbreviations: AOS = administrative and operational services; GEF = Global Environment Facility; IPF indicative planning figure; PDP = Partner in Development Programme; PSI = Poverty Strategy Initiatives; SPPD = support for policy and programme development; STS = support for technical services; TRAC = target for resource assignment from the core; and UNV = United Nations Volunteer programme.